RESPONSE TO EX PARTE QUAYLE ACTION U.S. Appln. No. 09/816,146

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully request reconsideration of this application, as amended, and

reconsideration of the Ex parte Quayle Action dated April 9, 2004. Upon entry of this

Amendment, claims 1-4 will remain pending in this application. Non-elected claims 5-16 have

been cancelled. Furthermore, claim 1 has been amended as required by the Examiner together

with an additional revision addressing the minor grammatical correction concerning "gears". As

all the changes made herein are directed at minor grammatical corrections and the meaning is the

same in each case, no narrowing of claim scope is considered to have been made in the

Amendment.

Applicant also looks forward to return of initialed versions of the Forms PTO-1449 filed

on March 26 and July 20, 2001 to complete Applicant's record.

Accordingly, Applicant submits that this Amendment places this case in condition for

allowance. Immediate allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

If any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 are due in connection with this filing that are

not accounted for, please charge the fees to Deposit Account No. 02-4300, Order No.

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